



## MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description of proposal:** Thor Timber Sale, Agreement No. 30-084327 and Forest Practices Application No. 2919524. This is a variable retention harvest of 111 acres in 5 units and 2 acres of right-of-way, with 2,409 feet of required road construction, 2,495 feet of required road reconstruction, 2,604 feet of required pre-haul maintenance, 4,843 feet of optional road construction and 3,505 feet of road abandonment.

**Description of mitigation:** The following mitigation measures will be implemented with this proposal:

- Approximately 3 acres of the original proposal were excluded from the harvest area due to potentially unstable slopes.
- Riparian Management Zones (RMZ) averaging 190 feet wide on type 3 streams and a minimum 100-foot RMZ along type 4 streams have been retained to protect water quality, provide corridors for wildlife, and maintain habitat for fish and amphibians.
- A Wetland Management Zone (WMZ) averaging 190 feet wide on one forested wetland greater than 1-acre has been retained.
- Wildlife tree and snag recruitment will be accomplished by retaining a minimum of 8 trees per acre, consisting of conifer and hardwood species.
- The most current design and construction techniques will be used for road construction and maintenance operations to minimize impacts on water quality.
- Full-suspension of logs will occur when yarding across type 5 streams.

**Proponent:** Department of Natural Resources

**Location of proposal:** Sections 3, Township 15 North, Range 01 West, W.M., and Sections 29 and 33, Township 16 North, Range 01 West, W.M., approximately 5 miles by road, south of Tenino, off the OLC 1200, OLC 1400, and OLC-300 road systems in Thurston County, Washington.

**Lead agency:** Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

☒ This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from May 11, 2009. Comments must be submitted by May 25, 2009.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.